THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1232 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY CREIGHTON, BELFANTI, BRENNAN, EVERETT, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, HESS, HORNAMAN, KAUFFMAN, KILLION, KOTIK, MELIO, MILLER, MURT, O'NEILL, PHILLIPS, READSHAW, ROCK, SIPTROTH, SWANGER AND WATERS, APRIL 8, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, APRIL 8, 2009

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of
- false reports to law enforcement authorities.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 4906 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- $8 \quad \S \quad 4906$. False reports to law enforcement authorities.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (d) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
- 11 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 12 <u>subsection:</u>
- "Law enforcement authorities." The term includes, but is not
- 14 <u>limited to, persons who are employed to provide child protective</u>
- 15 services as defined under 23 Pa.C.S. § 6303(a) (relating to
- 16 <u>definitions</u>) while acting within the scope of their employment.
- 17 <u>"Other incident." The term includes, but is not limited to,</u>

- 1 child abuse as defined under 23 Pa.C.S. § 6303(b) (relating to
- 2 <u>definitions</u>).
- 3 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.